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Dear Sir:

## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

In response to the Office Action of March 15, 2001, made final, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Four Times Amended) A method of improving renal function in a mammal in, or at risk of, chronic renal failure comprising administering to said mammal a therapeutically